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CASING AND DRYING CASED TOBACCO

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Available: Transcript - Yes

Pre-conference excerpt - No

Mr. Hines talk began with an explanation of the tobacco blending process, which consists of carefully executing a rather simple series of actions. The first blend component is spread uniformly over the entire work area of the bin conveyor, successive components are layered uniformly on top of one another, always covering the entire area. blend is then separated into vertical sections, resulting in even the thinnest section containing the same proportional mix of components as originally laid down. These sections of a blend can then be mixed in a rotary cylinder or by other means. If burley tobacco is a blend component it is usually employed, by dipping or spraying, as the vehicle for any flavor additives used, increasing its moisture content to 35-50% as opposed to other blend components at approximately 15%. The tobacco blend is dried by the application of temperature and volume controlled warm air passing over and through the tobacco. Mr. Hine gives the total moisture loss in drying 167.7 lbs. of moist, flavored tobacco as 39.5 lbs. This transcript contains seven pages of subject matter and ten pages of graphics.